

[CHAPTER 1135]

AN ACT

For the relief of the city of Chester, Illinois.

December 11, 1950
[H. R. 2365]
[Public Law 876]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the city of Chester, Illinois, is hereby relieved of all liability to pay the Department of the Army for the cost of removing the wreckage of the old bridge over the Mississippi River because of financial difficulties and inability to effect such removal.

Approved December 11, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1136]

AN ACT

To extend the time limit within which certain suits in admiralty may be brought against the United States.

December 13, 1950
[H. R. 483]
[Public Law 877]

Suits in Admiralty
Act, amendment.
41 Stat. 526.
46 U. S. C. § 745.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Suits in Admiralty Act (41 Stat. 525, 46 U. S. C. 741–745), approved March 9, 1920, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. That suits as herein authorized may be brought only within two years after the cause of action arises: *Provided*, That where a remedy is provided by this Act it shall hereafter be exclusive of any other action by reason of the same subject matter against the agent or employee of the United States or of any incorporated or unincorporated agency thereof whose act or omission gave rise to the claim: *Provided further*, That the limitations contained in this section for the commencement of suits shall not bar any suit against the United States brought hereunder within one year after the enactment of this amendatory Act if such suit is based upon a cause of action whereon a prior suit in admiralty or an action at law was timely commenced and was or may hereafter be dismissed solely because improperly brought against any person, partnership, association, or corporation engaged by the United States to manage and conduct the business of a vessel owned or bareboat chartered by the United States or against the master of any such vessel: *And provided further*, That after June 30, 1932, no interest shall be allowed on any claim prior to the time when suit on such claim is brought as authorized by section 2 of this Act unless upon a contract expressly stipulating for the payment of interest."

41 Stat. 525.
46 U. S. C. § 742.

Approved December 13, 1950.

[CHAPTER 1137]

AN ACT

To exempt furlough travel of service personnel from the tax on transportation of persons.

December 15, 1950
[H. R. 9840]
[Public Law 878]

Furlough travel.
Tax exemption.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That effective with respect to amounts paid after the date of enactment of this Act—

(a) Section 12 of the Act of August 8, 1947, entitled "An Act to terminate certain tax provisions before the end of World War II" (61 Stat. 919), is hereby repealed.

(b) Section 3469 (f) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(2) EXEMPTION OF MEMBERS OF MILITARY AND NAVAL SERVICE.—The tax imposed by this section shall not apply to the

26 U. S. C., Sup. III,
§ 3469.
55 Stat. 722.
26 U. S. C. § 3469
(c) (2).